

**CITY OF GAUTIER
MEMORANDUM**

To: Samantha Abell, City Manager
From: Patty Huffman, Grants & Projects Manager
Through: Chandra Nicholson, Economic Development and Planning Director
Date: July 17, 2013
Subject: Bid Advertisement for Professional Services for Martin Bluff Road
Widening Project: STP9194-00(0001)LPA105069-801000

REQUEST:

The Economic Development & Planning Department requests approval to advertise for professional services related to right-of-way acquisition for the Martin Bluff Road Widening Project.

BACKGROUND:

Scope of Work: This project is intended to provide improved traffic operations and safety on Martin Bluff Road. The improvements include the widening of Martin Bluff Road to three (3) lanes from the intersection of Gautier-Vancleave Road to a point near the entrance to the Santa Maria RV Resort, the remaining portion of Martin Bluff Road will receive an overlay with pavement improvements. Additional work will include realignment of the existing roadway where necessary to meet design criteria, upgrades to traffic signalization at the Gautier-Vancleave Road intersection, drainage improvements related to the new roadway, utility relocation, replacement of the existing bridge located near Homestead Boulevard, and the identification of right-of-way that will be required for the project.

DISCUSSION:

The Economic Development and Planning Department requests authorization to advertise for professional services related to the acquisition of property needed for the road construction described above.

RECOMMENDATION:

City staff recommends that City Council approve advertising for professional services related to right-of-way acquisition for the Martin Bluff Road Widening Project.

The City Council may:

1. Approve advertising for professional services as presented; or
2. Disapprove advertising for professional services.

ATTACHMENT(S):

N/A